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I wander thro' each charter'd street.
Near where the charter'd Thames does flow.
And mark in every face I meet
Marks of weakness. marks of woe.

In every cry of every Man.
In every Infants cry of fear
In every voice: in every ban.
The mind-forg'd manacles I hear

How the Chimney-sweepers cry
Every blackning Church appalls.
And the hapless Soldiers sigh.
Runs in blood down Palace walls

But most thro' midnight streets I hear
How the youthful Harlots curse
Blasts the new-born Infants tear
And blights with plagues the Marriage hearse